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Dr. Donald P. Ling  
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Dear Dr. Ling:

The United States Intelligence Board has decided to convene a panel of experts under the auspices of the Guided Missile and Astronautics Intelligence Committee (GMAIC) to review evidence concerning the Soviet ABM program and to consider divergent interpretations of data which exist within the intelligence community on certain key points. In confirmation of informal arrangements made by telephone, I should like to ask you to serve on this Panel, which is to meet at CIA Headquarters, Langley, Virginia, on 24 and 25 October and as much of 26 October 1963 as is necessary to produce a written report.

The starting time on 24 October has been set for 9:00 A.M., at which time the Panel will be greeted by Mr. McGone. Meetings are expected to continue during the evenings of 24 and 25 October and dinner will be provided in the Headquarters building on those evenings.

The following are being invited to serve on the Panel and have indicated their acceptance:

Dr. Charles Townes, Chairman  
Dr. William J. Perry  
Dr. Allen Petersen  
Dr. Marvin Goldberger  
Dr. Richard Latter

There may be one additional member provided by the Navy.

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Administrative support will be provided by [redacted]  
of the GMAIC Secretariat. Please feel free to contact him for any  
assistance you may require. His office is in Room 2A266, Pentagon,  
[redacted] and his home telephone number is [redacted]

Sincerely yours,

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Albert D. Wheelon  
Deputy Director  
(Science and Technology)

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